



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (June 2004)

(Implements RCW 34.05.310)

Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

Agency: Department of Social and Health Services, Economic Services Administration

Subject of possible rule making: The department may propose amendments to WAC 388-406-0060, What happens when my application is denied?, and other related rules.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:

RCW 74.04.050; 74.04.055; 74.04.057; 74.04.500; 74.04.510; 74.08.090

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:

The department is proposing to amend subsection (1)(b) of this rule which describes when an application is denied for lack of information. Subsection (1)(b) incorrectly references WAC 388-414-0001, "Do I have to meet all eligibility requirements for Basic Food?" This reference should be changed to WAC 388-490-0005, "The department requires proof before authorizing benefits for cash, medical, and Basic Food." Application processing rules are based federal regulations.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:

The United States Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) publish federal regulations for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program in the Federal Register. Rules published in the federal register are incorporated into the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations. FNS also issues administrative notices and interim guidance to inform states of new program requirements that are not yet in the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations.

DSHS incorporates regulations from the federal agencies, exercises state options, and implements approved waivers of federal regulatory requirements by adopting administration rules for food assistance programs administered under the Washington state Combined Application Program (WASHCAP) and the Washington Basic Food Program.

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- ☐ Negotiated rule making
- ☐ Pilot rule making
- ☐ Agency study
- ☒ Other (describe)

DSHS welcomes the public to take part in developing the rules. Anyone interested should contact the staff person identified below. At a later date, DSHS will file a proposal with the Office of the Code Reviser with a notice of proposed rule making. A copy of the proposal will be sent to everyone on the mailing list and to anyone who requests a copy.

How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

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